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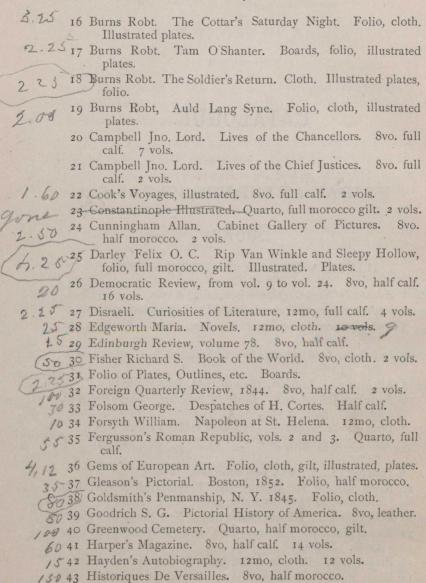
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It is this circumstance—virtually the "settlement," which the artist has happily seized; and the picture has been painted after several personal visits to the neighborhood, and with due local fidelity. The central figure is Governor Leonard Calvert, accompanied on his right by his younger brother George. The two are shaking hands with two chiefs of noble presence. Behind them one of the more richly attired nobles of the court approaches, wearing the broad ribbon of an order on his breast. At the picture right is the turf altar, tastefully decorated, with a large wooden cross behind it, and the priest lifting up his hands as if in benediction. In the extreme foreground, picture right, sits an old chief, in hawk plumage, stern and stolid. In the middle distance the flag is being hoisted on the top of a pole rudely lashed to the top of a tree. In the full foreground are Indian girls bringing presents, and game and fruit lie scattered around in rich abundance; while behind, some of the English presents are seen. On the picture's right, in the middle distance, a high bank rises, and the partially finished storehouse is seen upon it. In the distance the bay flashes, and the high banks stretch downward on either side towards the Chesapeake, while the two vessels lie a little below, and the white smoke from one of the guns of the flag.ship is curling gracefully up. The hour, from the direction of the shadows, is afternoon.

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